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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Keiko IKEDA Group Art Unit: 1645

Application Number: 10/541,752 Examiner: David Steadman

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For: PROTEIN COMPLEX, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

AND USE THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 9, 2007

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated September 17, 2007.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group I (Claims 1-4 and 6-8), Group II (Claim 5) and Group III (Claim 9).

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group I (Claims 1-4 and 6-8) for prosecution in this application. This election is made with traverse because Groups I to III satisfy the combination of categories provided at 37 CFR 1.475(b). Applicant reserves rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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